be postponed if the party is prepared to pay the money? What is the harm this year?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): We have to undertake the work. For that we have not provided funds this year.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): If that land is acquired, the people can walk freely.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): We will acquire it as soon as money is remitted. I myself went to the place and saw the locality.

KATTUR CHURCH ROAD—IMPROVEMENT OF.

4. **Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon** (*Kattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state what has become of the petition from Kattur, dated 27th Kumbham 1112 regarding the improvement of Kattur Church Road;

(*b*) will the Government consider this question at its earliest opportunity?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*):

(*a*) A reply has been sent to the petitioners on 16th Medam 1112 that "their request will be considered by the Public Health and Panchayat Department in due course according to the availability of funds."

(*b*) Government have already considered this question; but the work will have to wait for some more time.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (*Kattur*): Has the Government understood the urgent necessity of this locality?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): In this matter, we have to be guided by the Head of the Department and it is he who decides in a way the urgency of the matter. In his opinion, there are works more urgent than this. We must be guided by some of their advices and it depends upon the Head of the Department to give the necessary advice.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (*Kattur*): Will the Government consider the problem seriously?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): Certainly. As soon as possible, this will be undertaken.

KARUPADANNA-VALLIVATTOM KADAVU ROAD—IMPROVEMENT OF.

5. **Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon** (*Kattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government has realised the urgency of improving the road leading to Vallivattom

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